


Planning and Development Department Update

DATE: September 23, 2011
TO: Mayor Setti D. Warren
FROM: Candace Havens, Director of Planning and Development 
RE: Friday Report
CC: Board of Aldermen
Robert Rooney, Chief Operating Officer

This weekly report is intended to keep you informed of current development proposals and other noteworthy planning and development activities as follows:

Monday 9/26/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zoning and Planning Committee, 7:45 p.m., Room 202
Tuesday 9/27/11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing, 7:00 p.m., Room 209• Real Property Reuse Committee, 7:45 p.m., Aldermanic Chamber• Newton Bicycle & Pedestrian Task Force, 7:45 p.m., Cafeteria – basement level
Wednesday 9/28/11	
Thursday 9/29/11	

- **Zoning & Planning Committee:** The Committee will hold a public hearing on **Monday, September 26th** at 7:45 p.m., in the Aldermanic Chambers, Newton City Hall to discuss items: **#94-11(2):** clarifying that an accessory apartment may not be owned separately from a primary residence, particularly as a condominium, and **#26-11(2):** a Mixed-Use Centers Element Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan which includes a vision and guidance for the development or redevelopment of large mixed-use centers. **For more information, contact: Seth Zeren at 617.796.1145 or szeren@newtonma.gov.**
- **Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing:** The Board will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, September 27th** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 209. The following petitions will be heard: **#15-11, 16 Adella Avenue**, requesting a variance of 3.0 feet from the rear yard setback in order to legalize a prefabricated shed; **#16-11, 82 Miller Road**, requesting a 3.6 foot variance from the front yard setback in order to construct a front porch; **#17-11, 12 Glenwood Avenue**, requesting variances of 2.7 feet and 1.6 feet from the front yard setbacks on the corner of Ridgewood Avenue and Glenwood Avenue in order to construct a front porch; **#18-11, 24 Shuman Circle**, requesting a 5-foot variance from the front yard setback in order to construct a rear deck facing Parker Terrace; **#19-11, 1820 Washington Street**, requesting a 10-foot variance from the front yard setback in order to construct an attached garage. **For the complete agenda please go to http://www.newtonma.gov/Inspect/board_of_appeals/main.htm or contact Sherri Lougee at 617.796.1061 or slougee@newtonma.gov.**
- **Real Property Reuse Committee:** The Committee will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, September 27st** at 7:45 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber to consider #150-09(6), The Joint Advisory Planning Group and Planning and Development Department filing their separate reports identifying alternatives for future use of the Austin Street municipal parking lot at **28 Austin Street**. **Contact Eve Tapper at 617.796.1141 or etapper@newtonma.gov.**

- **Newton Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force:** The Task Force will meet on **Tuesday, September 27th** at 7:45 p.m. in the Cafeteria – basement level. Meetings are open to the public and attendees are invited to express their concerns about walking and bicycling in Newton. Proposals for improvements in the safety and convenience of pedestrian and bicycle facilities are particularly welcome. For more information about the meetings and BPTF's work, e-mail newtonbikeped@gmail.com or visit the website www.newtonbikeped.org.



Happy 10th Birthday, Newton CPA! Newton adopted the CPA in November 2001. The Community Preservation Committee is holding special meetings, with an “interactive exhibit” for sharing photos and notes about what makes Newton a community worth preserving. Anyone can come to any meeting, but residents of **Newton Corner, Nonantum, and Newtonville** (Wards 1 & 2) are especially invited to talk with the CPC from **7-9 pm on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, Newton North High School Film Lecture Hall.**

Future events: January 2012 for **West Newton, Auburndale, and Newton Lower Falls** (Wards 3 & 4); March 2012 for **Waban, Newton Upper Falls, and Newton Highlands** (Ward 5); May 2012 for **Newton Centre, Thompsonville, and Chestnut Hill** (Wards 6 & 7); September 2012 for the **South Side, including Oak Hill and Oak Hill Park** (Ward 8).

For more information contact **Alice E. Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager**, **617.796.1144** or aingerson@newtonma.gov.

- **Community Preservation Committee:**
- **We're tweeting!** We are excited to announce a new way to connect with the Planning Department. Follow us on Twitter (**@NewtonEconDev**) to receive updates on community meetings, new businesses in the City, and other economic development news.